

1 PETER

**DRAWING TODAY
FROM AN
ETERNAL INHERITANCE**

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

August 21, AD 2022

11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Whitney Alexander

Prelude

Intermezzo by Michele Mangani

Victor Drescher, clarinet

Steve Gustafson, organ

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Psalm 118

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
For his steadfast love endures forever!

The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.
Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.
The LORD has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
For his steadfast love endures forever!

***Hymn of Praise**

No. 108 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

***Blessing God**

***Scriptural Call to Confession**

*Prayer of Confession

Jesus, our guide, our star in the night, our true home, we confess that the poet's words about us are true. We are "lost in a haunted wood, children afraid of the night, who have never been happy or good." Proudly we set out to blaze our own path, make a name for ourselves and create the meaning of our lives. What damage we have done! How lost we have gotten! How curved in ourselves we have been. We cannot solve our lives. Please, come find us. Bring us home to you. Save us.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response

SAGINA

No condemnation now I dread: Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, thru Christ my own.
Amazing love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

*Greeting and Announcements

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.

Offertory

"Lord of the Empty Tomb" music by Craig Courtney

Lord of the empty tomb, visit the tomb of my heart.
Roll from its entrance the stone of defeat with your victory.
Lord of the empty tomb, enter the tomb of my heart.
Bring to the darkness the Light of the World with your purity.

Raise me to know you, to stand in your presence,
To walk in your freedom, to dance to the beat of forgiveness,
To worship your holiness.

Lord of the empty tomb, transform the tomb of my heart.
Bring to the emptiness fullness of joy as you make it your home.

Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.

*Response Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

***Hymn of Preparation**

No. 382 “Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

1 Peter 1: 1-5

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood:

May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever.

That we may do all the words of this law.

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

“Living Hope”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

***Hymn of Response**

No. 217 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN



LORD'S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

Instrumental Communion Meditation

II. Allegro appassionato from Sonata No. 2 in Eb Major, Op. 120 by Johannes Brahms



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

Postlude

V. Summer from "The Victorian Kitchen Garden" by Paul Reade

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: *Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nora Will Diehl and Joan Diehl Smith, grandmother and mother of Cathy Pugsley by David, Cathy and Catherine Pugsley.*

Scripture for Next Week: *1 Peter 1: 6-9*
Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Visitor Card in the pew racks, our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at fpibr.org/connect.

Prayer Requests. We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@fpibr.org, through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Joyful Noise Resumes Today! Joyful Noise focuses on developing a heart for worship through music, drama and play. Rehearsals are Sundays from 5 to 6.30 pm for ages 4 through 5th grade. For more information, please contact Lauren Honea (lauren@fpibr.org).

Youth Parents' Meeting Next Sunday. Calling all parents with children in middle or high school! Join the Youth Ministry team in the Gym Sunday, August 28 at 10.10 am for breakfast (donuts and kolaches) and a short informational meeting. Colton will share his vision and plans for the new school year and give you a chance to ask questions and share concerns. Please send your children to Sunday school during this meeting.

Want to Make an Impact? Help Buchanan Elementary by purchasing school supplies. A list is available at the Connection Center. You can also sign up to be a Buchanan Teacher Encourager or a K-1st grade tutor!

Women's Ministry Social for 30s/40s! Women's Ministry socials are extra opportunities to gather outside of church for food, fellowship and fun. Our Wednesday, August 24 gathering is intended for women in the 30s/40s age range, but truly, anyone is welcome. Join us at 6.30 pm at Elizabeth Fourrier's (1525 Cameron Ave.). Please RSVP to Jaime Carnaggio (jaime@fpibr.org).

IFP Social This Friday. The International Friendship Partners (IFP) team welcomes and loves internationals in Baton Rouge. All are invited to the August social Friday the 26th at the Kozan's home (3565 Cole Ave.) at 6 pm. This month's social is potluck. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre, main course or dessert. Stop by for 15-minutes or stay the whole time!

Women's Bible Study and Circles. Our Bible study on the Gospel of Mark kicks off the week of August 29 meeting Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. You can also join a Circle group which start at various times in September studying the book *Name above All Names*. Visit the Connection Center for a copy of the Circle book or for further details on Bible study and Circle meeting times.

When Death Does Us Part. Gerrit's latest article on DesiringGod.org is a commentary on bereavement and hope after a long marriage. Printed copies are available at the Connection Center. Or visit DesiringGod.org.

Combined Labor Day Worship. Join us at 10.30 am for combined worship September 4.

Kids Hope USA Needs Mentors. A mentor spends one hour a week talking, reading, playing and listening to a child at Gardere Community Christian School. Each mentor receives training, support and prayer. Contact Annette Lamond (annette@fpibr.org) to find out more.

Small Groups Forming Now. Even our Lord surrounded himself with twelve good friends. Is God inviting you to grow deeper in him by joining a small group? Fall groups begin meeting the week of September 11. Please contact Kelly Wood (kelly@fpibr.org) to learn which group best fits your schedule.



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